White travellers are no longer strange to Mashonaland, but it is a little startling to find that the adventures described in this interestsook were those of two women, and that these two women were nurses who had created a hospital and raised the red cross in a part of Africa hardly known a few years ago. The authors are Rose Elennerhassett and Lucy Sleeman, and the manner in which the volume was put together indicates that the writing was done in the main by the former. She had broken down from overwork in England, and in 1890 sailed to Durban, Natal, with Lucy Sleeman, and from there to Johannesberg, in the gold re gion. The effort to establish a nurses' home in Johannesberg proved a failure, and the authors succeeded finally in getting places in the hospital at Kimberley, in the midst of the diamond mines. There also the work proved unsatisfaclory, and the two women after a year in Africa began to prepare for returning to England. They had even bought railway tickets from Kimberley, but, as luck would have it, missed their train. Meanwhile the proposed expedition of the Chartered Company into Mashonaland, to take advantage of the concessions granted by Lobengula, the Matabele chieftain, was the general topic of talk. Wonderful tales came from the unknown country. grass there grew to the height of ten feet; that trees were sixty feet in circumference, and that the whole region was one vast gold reef.

So hopeful was the outlook for colonists in Bloemfontein, gave up his diocese for Mashonaland, and began making arrangements for work which included the care of bodies as diocese had no money. The authors of this ok agreed to go as volunteers. Then the Bishop hesitated, the plan seemed to be given up, and the railway tickets were purchased; but after the train was missed, there came nev soon after started by sea up the east from Cape Town to the mouth of the Pungwe River. There were long delays here and there on the way, and even when they coasting steamer for a needless journey to When everything else failed a small party from Beira, at the mouth of the river, to Mpanda's, the starting point of the road into Mashonaland. Then they began to see the strange sights of Africa. Herds of hippopotami splashed in the water. A flight of itterflies, so numerous that the travellers fancled them at first to be locusts, swept across Beneath the vivid green fringe which covered the mud banks of the river were sun-loving crocodiles, some of which plunged sulenly into the water as the little steamer passed. 'Mpanda's was found to be a mere camp of tents and huts, and the nurses were soon busy among the native workmen, great numbers of

whom were ill. All the way from Cape Town they had heard at intervals of a road in process of construction 'Mpanda's to Mashonaland. They had gained downright reverence for this piece of engineering. But one evening, when they were weary of labor in their improvised hospital, RIENZI. By BULWER. they took a row on the Pungwe and looked at great road. "To our astonishment and amusement, the roadmaking consisted of setting naterially advancing that 'opening of Mashonaland' which was in every one's mouth." After earers had been secured the plucky women started on this wild trail across the "veldt" to Umtali. All day long they tramped, and at night took refuge in a native kraal or set up a camp of their own, within hearing of the lions and hyenas. Lions came so near that the strangers soon learned to recognize the pig-like grunt which these creatures make while hunting. Terror gave way to a feeling almost of contempt later that respect for wild beasts returned when it was learned what lengths a hungry lion will really go. The ordiliss of ignorance. Long afterward Colonel Selous, the famous hunter, visited them at Umtali and told them that their mode of travelling, "sleep-about" in the open beside dim fires, was extremely foolhardy, and that the only thing which saved them was the quantity of game. "A hungry lion," he added, "will jump over any fire, and what he will or will not dare cannot possibly be calculated." This point is illustrated a tragical incident of life in Mashonaland. A young white man went out prospecting with a native. When they camped they built a rousing fire and went to sleep under their wagon. Suddenly, not a rustle having been heard, a lion seized the white man by the foot. The native clambered up a tree and in the moonlight saw his master dragged across the plain. The lioness sprang out of the grass and ran after her mate, giving their prey playful taps in true cat-like fashion and uttering little grunts of pleasure." The fate of this unfortunate man settled several things. It proved, for example, though there was no lack of evidence on this score, that the archaeologist Bent was wrong in saying there were no lions in Mashonaland It was, moreover, up to that time, "the popular belief that a lion will not take a man if he can get a bullock, and that he prefers a native to a white man; also, that he does not understand wagons, and is afraid of them. This horrible tragedy proved all these theories to be based

on nothing." The real troubles of these women afoot in Africa were not caused by wild beasts, but by the native carriers, who ran away when they got a chance; by the lack of food which the absence of the carriers occasioned, since the sun- her husband's favorite wish.-N. Y. Tribune plies could not be moved; and, finally, by the dreaded fever. Only one of the party of four nurses yielded to the disease, however, and she Published by HARPER & BROTHERS, N. Y. did not give up until the last moment. She soon recovered, and then the work was undertaken of creating a hospital without funds and with little material. It was soon in working order, and for nine months, dating from the price. outset, was never empty. In the first three months the authors of this book had only one afternoon off. The hospital looked like a barn, primrose-colored mats made by the natives helped to brighten the bare walls. Some Italian siik rugs used as quilts gave the wards a cheery look. In addition to hospital work proper, the nurses had to look after the kitchen; they had to keep cows and chickens, and for a long time bake their own bread. It was difficult get food. Whiskéy everybody was sure of in Umtali, but there were days together when nothing eatable could be had save some eccentricity like canned lobster. People breakfasted, dined and supped on the only viand which the freakishness of the trader had impelled him to add to his invoice of whiskey. Much of the sickness in the camp was traced to drink, for when a new magistrate came who enforced regular hours on the liquor-sellers and lessened the drunkenness, fever fell off in proportion. Gradually, one after another, all the obstacles were overcome. Civilization began to make progress in Mashonaland. The nurses had succeeded with their hospital. They had even started a fund, and had made much progress with it, for a brick hospital, and had made everything easy for their successors. The whole narrative is one of difficulties cheerfully overme. At the very last both of the writers fell ill of the fever and were practically left to the care of each other. But they recovered, and

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